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Sir:

The applicants hereby appeal the decision of the Examining Attorney contained in the final rejection of October 20, 2004, in which the Examiner finally rejected Claims 1-13, 15-18, 21, and 24-36.

1. The Examiner erred in both law and in fact in rejecting the claims on the basis of 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hensler et al. U.S. patent No. 5,637,378, in view of the Chien U.S. patent No. 5,775,016 and the Gehweiler U.S. patent No. 3,453,660.

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The Examiner also erred in both law and in fact in rejecting certain of the claims under the aforesaid references, as well as the Phillips U.S. patent, and also in view of an alleged admission by the applicants with respect to prior art.

The Examiner also erred in both fact and in law in rejecting certain of the claims on the basis of the aforesaid patents to Hensler et al., Chien, and Gehweiler, as well as the Schnee U.S. patent No. 2,680,698.

The Examiner also erred in rejecting the claims on the 4. grounds of double patenting.

The applicants hereby respectfully request an oral hearing in this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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